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SUBJECT: ICAO - COUNCIL MEETING JUNE 17 - ITEM 5 - COMMITTEE ON
AIRCRAFT NOISE

REF: STATE 126852

1. CWP 6011. COUNCIL APPROVED MEETING DATES AND ADMINISTRATIVE
ARRANGEMENTS FOR CAN MEETING. ITALY SUGGESTED DATES BE ADVANCED BUT
ICAO MEETING SCHEDULE WOULD NOT ALLOW.

2. DISCUSSION OF AGENDA BECAME EXTREMELY CONTROVERSIAL. SEVERAL
MEMBERS, INCLUDING USREP, SUGGESTED INCLUSION "RETROFIT" IN AGENDA.
HOWEVER, DISCUSSION TURNED TO SEQUENCE IN THAT SEVERAL MEMBERS
DESIRED ANOTHER STATE LETTER REQUEST INFORMATION FROM STATES AND
WANTED "TO DO MORE" BEFORE PUTTING ITEM ON AGENDA. SEVERAL
MEMBERS CRITICIZED UNILATERAL ACTION RATHER THAN MULTILATERAL
(INDONESIA WAS THE FIRST). UK SUPPORTED INCLUDING ITEM, ADDING
THAT UK REPLY TO STATE LETTER NOT SUFFICIENT BUT ADDITIONAL INFORMA-
TION WOULD BE FORTHCOMING BEFORE CAN MEETING. ALSO PROPOSED THAT
STATES OTHER THAN MANUFACTURING STATES INFORM ICAO OF PRELIMINARY
VIEWS AND INTENTIONS REGARDING RETROFIT. FRG, FRANCE,

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SUPPORTING ITALY WISHED PROCEED "SUCCESSIVE STAGES" COMMENCING

WITH WRITING TO STATES. SEVERAL SPOKE ENCOURAGING STATE LETTER TO ALL REPT "ALL STATES". PRESIDENT HELPFUL THROUGHOUT: SUGGESTING ADDING ITEM BECAUSE EASIER TO TAKE OUT LATER IF NOT ENOUGH INFORMATION AVAILABLE FOR MEETING. ARGENTINA SET FORTH THREE BASIC IDEAS: (A) COUNCIL INCLUDE RETROFIT IN AGENDA; (B) SEND STATE LETTER FOR INFORMATION ON WHICH TO BASE RECOMMENDATIONS; (C) URGE STATES NOT TO TAKE UNILATERAL ACTION UNTIL MATTER CAN BE CONSIDERED BY ALL STATES. SPAIN SUPPORTED. UK SUPPORTED EMPHASIZING ASKING STATES INTENTIONS REGARDING THEIR AIRCRAFT. BELGIUM OFFERED SECOND MAJOR PROPOSAL: ADVOCATING PRIOR CONSULTATION WITH STATES BEFORE UNILATERAL ACTION REGARDING THE NOISE PROBLEM. UK ELABORATED REQUESTING THAT STATES SHOULD NOT APPLY DOMESTIC MEASURES TO FOREIGN AIRCRAFT UNTIL THEY HAVE REACHED PRIOR AGREEMENT WITH STATES CONCERNED AND PREFERABLY UNTIL INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT REACHED THROUGH ICAO. FOLLOWING SPOKE IN FAVOR OF ARGENTINE APPROACH: ITALY, BRAZIL, FRG, MEXICO, PAKISTAN, AUSTRALIA. INCIDENTALLY, NETHERLANDS QUESTIONED USE OF TERM "NARROW BODIED AIRCRAFT" AND AGREEMENT WAS APPARENTLY REACHED ON TERM "SUBSONIC NON-NOISE CERTIFICATED AIRPLANES". DISCUSSION CONDENSED PROPOSALS TO FOLLOWING LANGUAGE "COUNCIL URGES STATES NOT TO TAKE UNILATERAL ACTION CONCERNING RETROFITTING UNTIL THE ORGANIZATION HAS COMPLETED ITS STUDIES ON THE SUBJECT: AND INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT APPLICABLE TO ALL CONTRACTING STATES HAS BEEN REACHED THROUGH ICAO." SUPPORTED BY ARGENTINA, MEXICO, BRAZIL, SPAIN, TRINIDAD-TOBAGO, ITALY, FRG, INDONESIA, NETHERLANDS, COLOMBIA, INDIA, USSR. FRG SUGGESTED ADDING "WITHIN REASONABLE PERIOD OF TIME", BUT THIS WAS NOT SUPPORTED SO HE REQUESTED IT BE RECORDED IN MINUTES. UKREP REQUESTED IT BE RECORDED IN MINUTES THAT HIS GOVERNMENT FOUND IT PREFERABLE TO LEAVE WAY OPEN FOR ACTION BETWEEN STATES CONCERNED. BELGIUM REQUESTED HIS EARLY STATEMENT BE RECORDED IN MINUTES ("PRIOR CONSULTATION WITH STATES BEFORE UNILATERAL ACTION").

3. "RETROFIT" WAS ADDED TO AGENDA WITH COUNCIL NOTING THAT SEC GEN HAS PEROGATIVE OF RETURNING TO COUNCIL FALL SESSION SHOULD PAUCITY OF INFORMATION INDICATE REMOVAL ITEM FROM AGENDA. USREP MADE STATEMENT PER INSTRUCTIONS REFTEL. ADDITIONALLY RECORDED ABSTENTION ON COUNCIL DECISION TO "URGE STATES NOT TO TAKE UNILATERAL ACTION, ETC." WITH STATEMENT THAT (A) BECOMES NECESSARY FOR STATE TO CONSIDER UNILATERAL ACTION WHEN ICAO DOES NOT MOVE AHEAD IN PROBLEM AREAS AND (B) LANGUAGE TENDS TO COMPROMISE NATIONAL LEGISLATION. UNCLASSIFIED

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4. US PROPOSAL TO ADD ANOTHER ITEM TO AGENDA "AIRPORT NOISE IMPACT ASSESSMENT" RECEIVED NO REPT NO FORMAL OR INFORMAL SUPPORT.

5. SECRETARIAT READ FROM COUNCIL MINUTES RE LAST COUNCIL DECISION (SUPPORTED BY US) NOT REPT NOT TO INCLUDE SUCH ITEMS BECAUSE COMMITTEE MAKE-UP/EXPERTISE NOT QUALIFIED TO CONSIDER AREAS BEYOND AIRCRAFT CERTIFICATION -- FOR EXAMPLE NOISE ABATEMENT PROCEDURES

(OPERATIONAL) AND "IMPACT". THESE FIELDS REQUIRE DIFFERENT SET OF
PEOPLE. (SEE IGIA 17/5.16, PG. 8, POSITION 5).

WILL FORWARD STATE LETTER ON RECEIPT. USREP APPRECIATES

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